(d) The traditional rights of the tribal people have not been given any legal recognition during the last three years.

Post-matric scholarship to ST student

3368. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the status of the proposal submitted by the Government of Karnataka for sanction of the post-matric scholarship to the ST students with 100 per cent Central share; and

(b) by when the funds are likely to be released to the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH) : (a) and (b) The State Government of Karnataka had submitted a proposal during the last financial year for release of grants-in-aid for the year 2004-05. The total admissible 100% Central Share over and above the committed liability of the State Govt. of Karnataka for the year 2004-05 was Rs. 1306.71 lakh (including the arrears of the year 2003-04). An amount of Rs. 400.00 lakh was released on 17th February, 2005 and balance amount of Rs. 906.71 lakh has been released on 13th April, 2005.

Employment to tribal people

3369. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have any proposal to provide meaningful employment to the tribal people to wean them away from the distillation of illicit liquor; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KYNDIAH) : (a) and (b) There is no specific proposal. However, the Ministry provides grants to the State Governments under Special Central Assistance (SCA) to Tribal Sub-Plan for employment-cum-income generation activities and the

infrastructure incidental thereto not only the family based but also run by the Self Help Groups/Community aimed at raising the economic and social status of the tribal people. The stress is on cluster approach with priority on schemes/programmes to enhance income generating activities through increased productivity and value addition in sectors such as land reforms, watershed development, soil & moisture, conservation, animal husbandary, ecology & environment, development of forests/forest villages, minor irrigation, horticulture, food processing, development of entrepreneurship and Small Scale Industries etc.

An amount of Rs. 497.00 crores was provided under the scheme during 2004-05. The outlay under the scheme for the year 2005-06 is Rs. 727.00 crores.

Compliance of safety norms

3370. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there are thousands of buildings in Delhi and Mumbai which have not complied with the safety norms;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action Government propose to take against such building owners?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD) : (a) to (c) The construction of buildings in Delhi is regulated in accordance with the Unified Building Bye-laws, 1983 which provides for various measures to be undertaken for structural safety, protection from fire hazards, etc. The building plans are sanctioned by the respective local bodies within the area of their jurisdiction, subject to compliance of these provisions and violations are dealt with in accordance with the penal provision under these bye-laws.

The building bye-laws in various States are however administered by the respective State Governments and as such information regarding building bye-laws of Mumbai is not maintained in this Ministry.